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2. Each pharmacy manager orders supplies once or twice a month. The make and quantity of supplies received are not always as ordered, since DSAP rations most drugs because demand usually is greater than the supply. Rationed drugs include antibiotics, antipereticum, sulphonamides, chinoin, untroseptil, and most imported drugs. _______ drugs, once very popular in Bulgaria, are now received rarely and in very limited quantities. They are being replaced by similar drugs produced locally or in other satellite countries.

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- 3. Except in exceptional cases, pharmacies receive all drugs in Bulgarian packing and bearing a DSAP label. Such drugs as Ephetonin cough tincture and various cardiotonics, which have never been produced in Bulgaria, now appear under original Bulgarian names. Ephetonin, for instance, is now received under the label of "Turisal," and it is not known if the drug was produced in Bulgaria or imported and repacked.
- 4. Penicillin is the only antibiotic available in Pazardzhik, and it can be bought only at Pharmacy No. 1, located on the road to Sofia, and at Pharmacy No. 5, located on Doctor Vulkov Street. Sulphonamides, digitalis, PAS (Para Amino Salicylate), and cardiotonics are available in sufficient quantities. Dibasol and other drugs for treating infantile paralysis and cancer are not available.
- 5. Anti-malaria drugs (chinin, plasmochin, and atebrine) are in very small demand. Pazardzhik, once known as a malaria region, has been almost cleared of malaria by the swamp-draining operations of the Sofia Anti-Malaria Institute and its

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	branch station in Pazardzhik.									
6.	The yearly turnover of a small pharmacy is approximately 150,000 leva. Prices of single drugs are relatively low.									
7.	A pharmacy manager earns approximately 750 leva monthly, a graduate chemist, 650 leva, and a chemist's assistant, 450 leva.									
8.	The following personalities at the government hospital in Pazardzhik are known:									
	a. Dr. Yordan Dobrev, ophthalmologist b. Dr. Anna Gavrilova, surgeon									
	c. Dr. Peter Kechayov, specialist in internal diseases,									
	d. Dr. Boris Lolov, head of the bacteriological laboratory	25)								
	e. Dr. Ivan Mihailov is a gynecologist.	237								
	f. Dr. Spas Neshev, head of the internal diseases department									
	g. Dr. Nedelcho Nedelev, X-ray physician									
	h. Dr. Shopov, (fnu), director of the hospital									

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